

Student Background Check

Prior to beginning clinical experiences, MSAT students are required to complete an approved background check. This will include Country Criminal, Nationwide Healthcare Fraud and Abuse Scan, Nationwide Record Indicator with SOI, and Residency History. Background checks will be purchased by the MSAT Program through CastleBranch, Inc. On the <u>place order page</u>, students should enter the package code **AU18**. After reading the instructions and agreeing to the terms/conditions, students will enter their personal identification number (PIN). Each student's pin is unique and is the student's name followed by Background in the following format: *FirstLast*Background Students should enter all requested information to order the background check.

In the event that a background check discloses information that may compromise a student's ability to participate in clinical education experiences or gain licensure as an Athletic Trainer, the Augustana University MSAT Program reserves the right to rescind offers of acceptance. These decisions will be made by the Augustana University MSAT Program Director and Coordinator of Clinical Education, in consultation with University Administration, University Council, and the Augustana University Athletic Training Program Clinical Site Partners.

The background check only needs to be completed once (within a calendar year of acceptance into the Augustana University MSAT Program) but must be completed prior to the first clinical rotation. However, students have an ongoing obligation to report any criminal felony or misdemeanor (including drug and/or alcohol) charges pending against them.

The background check requirement is fulfilled when the MSAT student uploads the confirmation email verifying that they submitted the background check request and has verified and recorded. The printed report will be stored electronically by CastleBranch, Inc.

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